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THEFT ROBBERY CASES IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that incidents of theft/robbery are frequently occurring in Delhi particularly in North Avenue, South Avenue MPs flats and other VIP areas;

(b) if so, the number of such incidents reported during each of the last three years, and the value of stolen goods;

(c) efforts made by the Government to recover the stolen goods/money/jewellery etc; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to curb such incidents in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a)&(b): the details of cases of theft and robbery reported during the last three years in Delhi are given below:

Theft cases

Year	Number of theft cases in Delhi	Value of stolen property (in Rs.)
2002	16,646	1,21,19,75,193
2003	15556	87,42,75,980
2004	19020	1,27,08,48,737

Robbery cases

Year	No.of robbery cases reported in Delhi	Value of robbed property (in Rs.)
2002	503	6,73,53,602
2003	444	4,66,58,950
2004	461	4,63,72,766

The number of theft cases in the VIP areas, out of the theft cases, mentioned above are as follows:

Year	Number of theft cases in Delhi	Value of stolen property (in Rs.)
2002	24	1,41,050
2003	22	3,43,500
2004	26	2,67,900

There were no cases of robbery in VIP areas.

(c): The steps taken to recover stolen/robbed property include inspection of the scene of the crime by the crime team comprising of trained officers; utilization of the services of dog squad, finger print experts and forensic experts; collection of information from Crime Record Office for similar modus operandi; close supervision of investigation of cases by senior officers; collection of intelligence about the stolen property and suspected persons; interrogation of bad characters, ruffians and other active criminals of the area concerned; taking help of local jewellers to verify the sketches of stolen jewellery; and use of information and software technology in solving theft/robbery cases.

(d): The steps taken to check crime in Delhi include improvement in the beat system of patrolling; identification of Police Stations with high rate of crime and provision of additional manpower and motorcycle patrols to such Police Stations; rationalizing the timing for patrolling to maximize its effectiveness; development of intelligence about the movement of desperate criminals; multi-tasking of Police Control Room Vans; verification of the antecedents of domestic servants; and closer interaction with the Residents Welfare Associations.

The following additional measures have been taken by Delhi Police to prevent theft/robbery in North Avenue, South Avenue and other VIP areas :

(i) In addition to one Sub-Inspector, four Head Constables and 16 Constables already deployed in South Avenue, one Section of outside force has been deployed in the area for patrolling ;

(ii) Back lanes have been secured by using mobile barricades ;

(iii) Entry and exit points are being limited to ensure better access control of the area;

(iv) The Police personnel deployed in the area have been briefed ;

(v) House to house verification in servant quarters and garages has been restarted;

(vi) The contractor of the Central Public Works Department has been asked to remove his labour from the area and to bring them in the morning and take them back in the evening ; and

(vii) Movement of vendors and hawkers in the area has been curtailed;